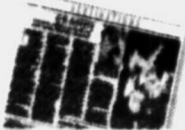


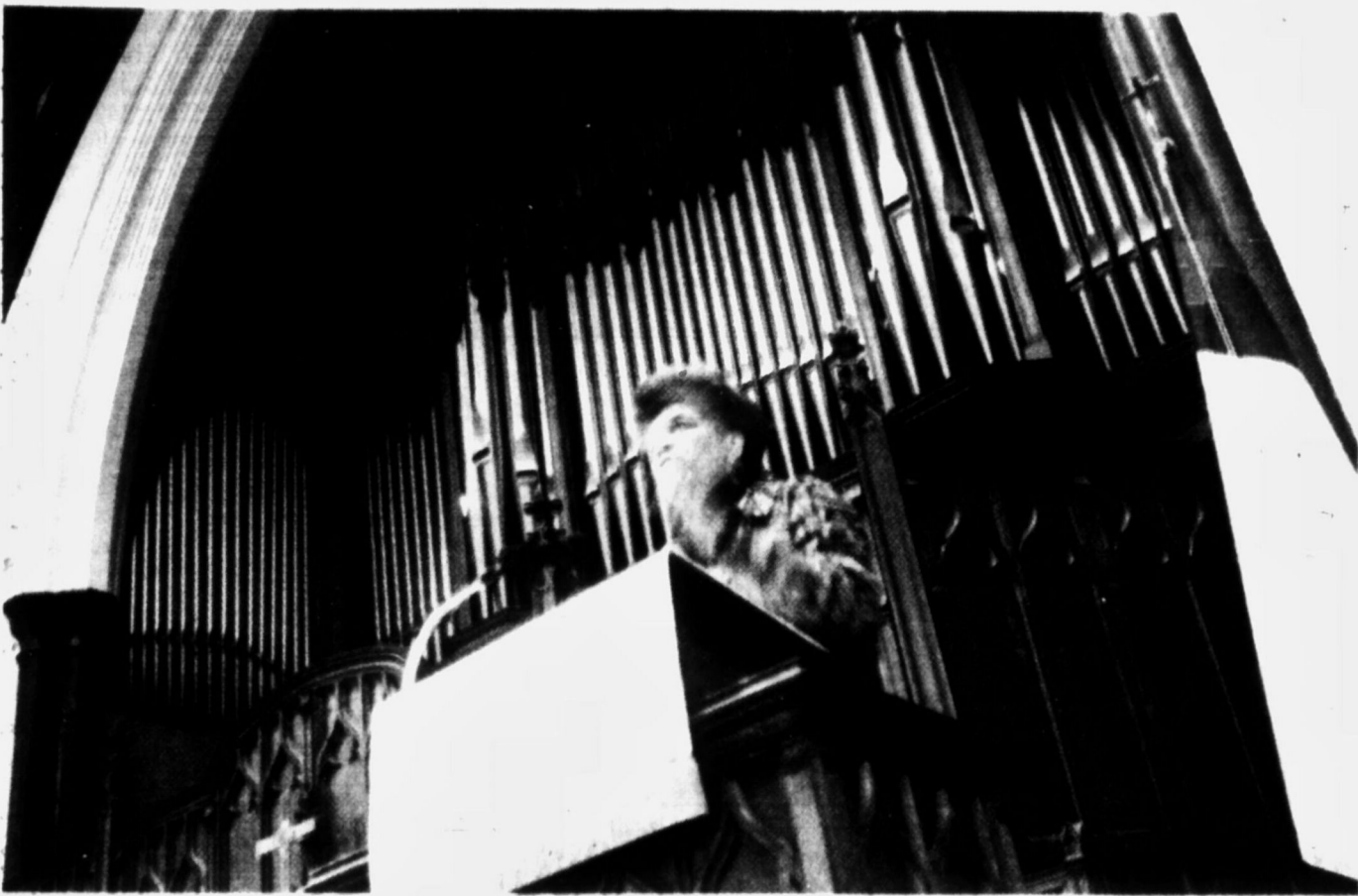
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Mistress of ceremonies Pearl Morrison tells a story about meeting Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. during the 17th annual MLK observance at First Baptist Church Monday.

## Raduazzo honored for promoting diversity

### AHS teacher recognized at 17th annual MLK event

By Brooke Leister  
STAFF WRITER

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. urged people to make a career of humanity and commit themselves to the struggle for human rights.

Arlington High School teacher Marie Raduazzo, affectionately known as "Rad" to her students, has done this throughout her more than 30-year career in education. She was honored for her commitment to fostering understanding and promoting diversity during the town's 17th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Observance, held Monday night at First Baptist Church.

"She's the consummate educator... When someone says, 'Why?', she says, 'Why not?' She has a dream for Arlington High School, but she's not a dreamer; she's a doer," said Pearl Morrison, the mistress of ceremonies who presented Raduazzo with her recognition award.

Raduazzo began teaching in Arlington in 1971. Several of her high school students helped fill the pews Monday.

Four years ago, she wrote and piloted a new course for the English Department titled "The Theatre of the Holocaust." The course grew out of her work with Facing History and Ourselves, a nonprofit, international organization that works with schools to battle discrimination and racism. She now teaches three sections of the course. This spring, she will take a group of students to Czechoslovakia, Poland and Germany where they will examine the legacy of the Holocaust.

"To simply have my name linked, in any fashion, with that of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is an honor beyond my emotional depth. This evening will remain vivid in my heart. I embrace and accept this recognition not only for myself but for my students. I have a passion to teach, and they have a passion to learn," said Raduazzo, who is in her third year of teaching "Hear My Voice," a multicultural literature elective.

"Hear My Voice" exemplifies Raduazzo's drive to bring MLK, Page 21



Wanda Jones and Renee Simmons, members of the Twelfth Baptist Church Handbell Choir of Roxbury, perform during the birthday observance.

## AHS student contracts bacterial meningitis

By Roberto Scalese  
STAFF WRITER

A student at Arlington High School has been diagnosed with bacterial meningitis. Five other students who may have had close contact with the infected student have been put on antibiotics as a precaution, said Health Director Christine Connolly.

Bacterial meningitis is a tissue infection that typically surrounds the brain and spinal cord. Symptoms include the sudden onset of fever, headaches, stiff neck or neck pain, nausea and rash. The illness can also

cause confusion, sleepiness and difficulty in waking from sleep. The ailment can be fatal if not treated.

Connolly said the disease is primarily transmitted through saliva, making cross-contamination unlikely for anyone not in close contact with the patient. Only five students from the high school are considered at risk and were contacted by health officials.

"You have to basically come in contact with saliva to be at risk," said Connolly. "As part of our disease follow-up process... we make sure all of the

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## May Center plans departure in fall

By Roberto Scalese  
STAFF WRITER

The May Center is moving out of town.

The school, located in the former St. James School on Acton Street, provides services for autistic and developmentally challenged children. The Arlington facility is one of four facilities operated by the May Institute and will move to Randolph.

According to Chief Clinical Officer Dr. Dennis Russo, the center has been seeking a larger space for years.

"We've been looking for several years for an improved site to serve the children," said Russo. "As a result of the search, we came upon a property in Randolph that is really outstand-

ing."

The facility in Randolph will allow the school to expand and introduce a gymnasium and other play spaces, along with a larger cafeteria configuration.

"It gives us the opportunity to modernize the facility," said Russo.

According to Selectmen Chairman Diane Mahon, the loss of the May Center is bad news for Arlington.

The selectmen made an aggressive effort to get the Archdiocese of Boston, which is selling the St. James land, and May Center to work on a lease for the building and possibly expand the school, she said.

"I was hopeful that perhaps the

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## Board narrows list to two finalists

By Brooke Leister  
STAFF WRITER

The School Committee further narrowed the field of superintendent hopefuls last Thursday.

The board voted to forward Andre Ravenelle's name to the next round. Two days earlier, the board moved another finalist, Nate Levenson, to the final round.

By naming Ravenelle to the next level, the committee agreed to conduct site visits in Lexington and Barn-

stable. Ravenelle is the director of curriculum in Lexington, and previously served as superintendent and assistant superintendent of schools in Barnstable.

The Thursday session was a continuation of the Jan. 11 School Committee meeting. At the end of a four-and-a-half-hour meeting, which included the last of four superintendent finalist interviews, the committee voted to recess until last Thursday.

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## A survivor's tale: Resident witnessed tsunami

By Rachel Lebeaux  
CNC STAFF WRITER

On Dec. 26, Bobby Johjit was on vacation in his native Thailand. But his family's celebration of the Christmas holiday quickly turned to chaos and tragedy when a tsunami hit the popular resort island of Phuket.

Johjit and his family survived, but for days, Johjit was witness to the devastation left behind.

astation left behind.

Last week, as the Wellesley Rotary Club's guest speaker, Johjit told club members about his encounter with what is perhaps the greatest natural disaster this generation has seen, the personal loss he suffered and his efforts to clean up the destruction the giant wave had left behind.

Speaking in a strong, clear voice,

Johjit said that he initially started to prepare a written script for his talk.

"Then, I thought, wait, 'This isn't something you can write down. I can't just stand here reading to express my heart out,'" Johjit said. "I have to be here and just... talk my heart out about what happened."

Johjit, who is 27, lives in Arlington but grew up in southern Thailand. He

came to America four years ago. On Dec. 3, he returned to Thailand because he wanted to spend the holiday season with family and friends.

After arriving in Bangkok, Johjit and his family drove down to Phuket to visit his mother's cousin. They arrived at the island Dec. 23, and Johjit went out with his friends the night of Dec. 25 to celebrate.

"It's not like (America), when you stay at home quietly with the family. There, you get drunk and can be wild in the streets," Johjit said. "The night in Phuket is always special, and the night life is wonderful." He and his friends were out until 5:30 a.m., at which point Johjit returned home to catch a couple of hours of sleep.

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## a look Inside

### Budget hike eyed

The School Committee forwarded a \$34 million budget proposal to the Finance Committee. The budget would be a 6 percent increase over the current fiscal year.

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Porch is one of a growing number of quirky gifts shops in Arlington.

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### MEETINGS

#### Thursday, Jan. 20

- Information Technology Committee meets at 6 p.m. in the Selectmen's Hearing Room, Town Hall, second floor.
- Field Maintenance and User Fee Study Committee meets at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall Annex, first-floor conference room.
- Conservation Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Department of Public Works conference room, Town Hall Annex, second floor.
- Council on Aging meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Senior Center.

#### Monday, Jan. 24

- Budget and Revenue Task Force meets at 6 p.m. in the Selectmen's Hearing Room, Town Hall, second floor.
- Board of Selectmen meets at 7:15 p.m. in the Selectmen's Chambers, Town Hall, second floor.

#### Tuesday, Jan. 25

- School Committee meets at 7 p.m. in the School Committee Room, Arlington High School, sixth floor.
- Housing Authority meets at 7 p.m. in the John F. Cusack Board Room, Winslow Towers, 4 Winslow St.
- Transportation Advisory Committee meets at 7:15 p.m. in the Town Hall Annex, second-floor conference room.
- Minuteman Regional School Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. in the school, 758 Marrett Road, Lexington.

#### Thursday, Jan. 27

- Contributory Retirement Board meets at 4:30 p.m. in the School Committee Room, Arlington High School, sixth floor.

The following are excerpts from the Arlington Police Department log. The information is open to the public.

#### Monday, Jan. 10

- At 1:03 p.m., police received a call from Park Avenue after a cellular phone was taken from a locker.

#### Tuesday, Jan. 11

- At 7:13 a.m., an employee at a Broadway business called police after someone threw a piece of ice through a car window.
- At 7:30 a.m., police received a call from a Sunnyside Avenue business after someone wrote graffiti on a door with a marker. The businessowner removed the graffiti.
- At 12:55 p.m., an employee at a Massachusetts Avenue business called police after discovering someone had spray-painted a side of a building. Police responded and found the graffiti threatened a police officer. Police are investigating.
- At 1:42 p.m., a Drake Road resident called police after finding a car door was dented with an unknown object.
- At 4:10 p.m., a Cedar Avenue resident reported a broken window at a residence, possibly caused by BB pellets.
- At 4:12 p.m., a Lombard Road resident reported a missing cellular phone.
- At 4:20 p.m., police received a call on Melvin Road about a larceny by check.

#### Wednesday, Jan. 12

- At 11:02 a.m., an Evergreen Lane resident reported someone had not returned a rental video from his home business.
- At 12:15 p.m., a Robbins Road resident

called police after a car was damaged by utility wires.

- At 3:01 p.m., police received a call about two men running with packages on Randolph Street. They were gone when police arrived.
- At 5:57 p.m., a woman told police a man exposed himself to her near the Park Circle Water Tower. She said she was jogging when a man in a motor vehicle asked directions. She noticed the man was naked from the waist down and was pleasuring himself. Police are investigating.
- At 7:14 p.m., a Lewis Avenue resident called police after a burglar allegedly forced open a door and stole a laptop computer and miscellaneous computer equipment. Police are investigating.

#### Thursday, Jan. 13

- At 1 a.m., police responded to Arizona Terrace regarding a man smashing a car window with a bat. Police identified a suspect and are investigating.
- At 5:50 a.m., a Gardner Street resident called police after someone smashed all of a car's windows. Police identified a suspect and are investigating.
- At 5:12 p.m., police received a call after a burglary on Beacon Street, in which the burglar forced open a door and stole camera equipment and binoculars. Police are investigating.
- At 9:22 p.m., a Thomas Street resident reported someone stole money from a bank account. Police are investigating.

#### Friday, Jan. 14

- At 7:51 a.m., a Franklin Street resident

reported money was stolen from a residence. There were no signs of forced entry.

- At 8:17 a.m., police received a call from Hutchinson Road after someone smashed a car window with a wooden stake.
- At 8:06 p.m., an Oxford Street resident reported finding pry marks on a door. Police responded and found the burglar had not entered the residence.

#### Saturday, Jan. 15

- At 11:57 a.m., police responded to

### Arrests

#### Monday, Jan. 10

- At 5:23 p.m., police arrested Jason J. Tonry, 37, 354 Park Ave., and charged him with violating an abuse prevention order. Officer Stephen Krepelka made the arrest.

#### Tuesday, Jan. 11

- At 10:51 p.m., police arrested Salvador Vasquez, 19, 86 Glenwood St., Apt. 2, Somerville, and charged him with being under 21 and possessing liquor. Officer James Smith was on Massachusetts Avenue when he saw a passenger in a car throw something out a window. Smith pulled over the vehicle and spoke to the driver, Vasquez. While speaking to the driver, Smith reportedly saw a box of Corona in the back seat. Smith made the arrest.

#### Thursday, Jan. 13

- At 8:20 a.m., police arrested

Marcos Rodriguez Jr., 20, 68 Marianna St., Lynn, and charged him with violating an abuse prevention order and a warrant for statutory rape of a child. Officer Robert Gamez made the arrest.

#### Friday, Jan. 14

- At 8:24 p.m., police arrested Lynne C. Farmer, 43, 51 Melvin Road, and charged her with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol and following too closely behind another vehicle. Officer Edward Savill responded to a motor vehicle accident at Massachusetts Avenue and Schouler Court. A driver said he was stopped at a red light when Farmer rear-ended his vehicle. Police could smell alcohol coming from Farmer and asked her to perform field sobriety tests, which she failed. Savill made the arrest.

#### Sunday, Jan. 16

- At 9:28 a.m., police received a call from Massachusetts Avenue about a larceny by check.

## Top 10 spots for car accidents

Because of a production error, a map highlighting the spots with the most accidents in Arlington was unreadable in last week's paper.

The Advocate is printing the top spots in list format this week.

For analysis on the issue, read last week's story "Center spot tops for accidents."

The following locations had the most reported motor vehicle accidents during the first 11 months of 2004:

- Mass. Ave./Mystic/Pleasant — 22
- Mass. Ave./Mill — 16
- Park Ave. Ext./Summer — 10
- Mass. Ave./Lake — 10
- Mass. Ave./Park — 7
- 1425 Mass. Ave. (Walgreens/Trader Joe's) — 6
- 905 Mass. Ave. (Stop & Shop) — 6
- Mass. Ave./Orvis — 6
- Concord Turnpike/Pleasant — 6
- Mass. Ave./Grove — 5

## CAMPAIGN NOTEBOOK

### Walsh plans campaign launch

The Committee to Elect Teresa Walsh, candidate for Arlington Housing Authority, is hosting a campaign kickoff event on Sunday, Jan. 30, from 4-6 p.m. at 118 Crescent Hill Ave., in the Mount Gilboa District.

Walsh is an assistant attorney general and has a decade of service on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

For event details, contact Lisa Collins at 781-646-3419 or e-mail her at [michaellisacollins@msn.com](mailto:michaellisacollins@msn.com).

Candidates can send campaign information that will be included into a campaign notebook. To be assured that items will go into that week's paper, we need candidates' and readers' political correspondence by noon on Monday of that week.

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#### Friday, Jan. 21

- The Phantom of The Opera (Pg13) — 1, 4, 7, 9:50
- The Incredibles (Pg) — 2, 4:30, 7:05, 9:30
- Finding Neverland (Pg) — 1:25, 3:30, 5:35, 7:40, 9:45
- National Treasure (Pg) — 2:30, 5, 7:30, 10
- The Motorcycle Diaries (R) — 7:25, 9:55
- The Polar Express (G) — 1:30, 3:25, 5:25
- Ray (Pg13) — 6:50, 9:40
- The Spongebob Squarepants Movie (Pg) — 1:05, 3:05, 5:05

#### Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 22 and 23

- The Phantom of The Opera (Pg13) — 1, 4, 7, 9:50
- The Incredibles (Pg) — 11:25, 2, 4:30, 7:05, 9:30

- Finding Neverland (Pg) — 1:20, 1:25, 3:30, 5:35, 7:40, 9:45
- National Treasure (Pg) — 12, 2:30, 5, 7:30, 10
- The Motorcycle Diaries (R) — 7:25, 9:55
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# Who needs Tunnel of Love when we have the Regent?

## Elaborate marriage proposal hatched at Medford St. theater

By Helene Newberg  
CORRESPONDENT

Arlington's Regent Theatre has made a name for itself hosting big names and special events. Perhaps, for Regent owner Gary Adelson, this past Saturday night's private showing of "The Wedding Singer" tops his list of favorite nights.

For newly engaged Jay Johnson and Jenny Miller, and a small crowd of their family and friends, perhaps nothing else they see in a movie theater will top Johnson's elaborately planned marriage proposal, executed perfectly with Adelson's help.

Three months ago, in planning the surprise, Johnson contacted the Regent through its Web site, hoping to rent out the theater for an evening without his girlfriend knowing. Adelson loved the idea and offered the space gratis.

"I lean toward the unique and different in booking the theater. We also love to help the community," he said.

Johnson had worked out many details, in advance: friends and family had assigned seats, parking places and were instructed not to wear anything distinctive.

"Jenny is very observant," he said.

Should Miller start asking what their friends were up to for the night, Johnson had prepared alibis for each of the invited guests. Caterer friends set up in the lobby afterward.

Adelson connected Johnson to the a capella group Five

O'Clock Shadow, whose members, when the movie conveniently "broke" about 20 minutes after the couple arrived late, stood from their scattered seats and began singing "All You Need Is Love," a favorite Beatles song and lifting a scene from another movie, "Love, Actually."

"That movie has this part that Jenny loves and watches over and over again, where people do something similar. She would have wanted to have something like that in our wedding, though our wedding will probably be very small, in the Keys, so we won't have the chance to do that," Johnson said.

Adelson also arranged videographers to document the moment for the couple, which Miller said gave her the first tip-off that something funny might have been going on.

"Looking back, I kind of did notice that something was going on. The guys who took

our tickets seemed like they knew Jay, which he explained by saying he was working with them on their Web site. When we sat down, I noticed an older man sitting by himself, near us, with a video camera filming the screen. Then I said something like, 'I think he's filming us!'

"Jay calls me the 'Spanish Inquisition' because I'm always asking him questions about what he's up to. I was surprised. Totally shocked. We had talked about getting engaged this spring or summer, to the point where Jay said 'Why don't you buy the ring, tell me when and what to wear.' He knew he had to be really sneaky," Miller said.

"The Wedding Singer" was the first movie the couple, who live near Worcester, saw together. Johnson, who likes to surprise Miller, also knows she likes this kind of surprise. When she was still in high school, Miller looked out a window to find her car festooned in balloons and flowers.

"He's always had big plans and done romantic things," she said.

"With the world we live in

now, that Gary gave us the use of the theater, people all around us are being so nice," said Johnson.

"It was such a beautiful place, I was blown away by how kind they were. It was just perfect, everything I wanted.

We met so many nice people," said Miller.

Incidentally, Miller also said, "Yes."



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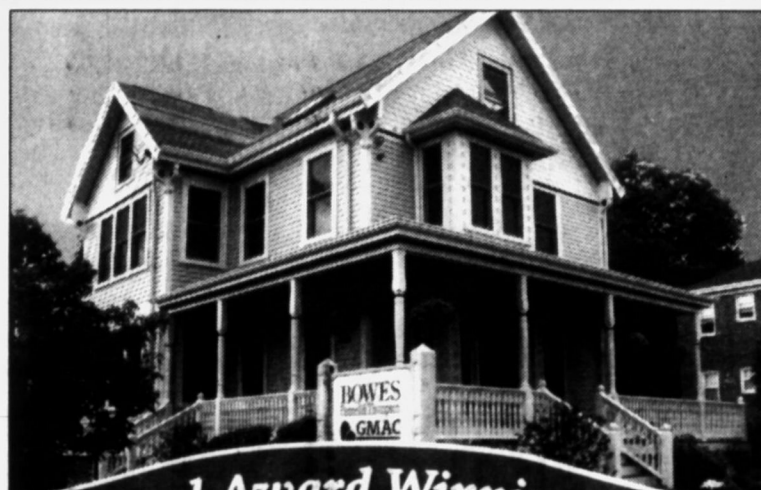
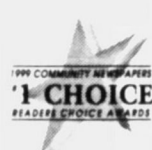
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# Walsh wants greater affordability

By Roberto Scalese  
STAFF WRITER

Teresa Jeanne Walsh is an assistant attorney general who handles housing cases in civil court for the office and served on the town's Zoning Board of Appeals for 10 years.

She said her experience would serve her well if she is elected to the Housing Authority.

"I like to think I have local experience and statewide expe-

rience and it's helpful to have both," said Walsh. "This is a good time for me, professionally, and I feel this is an opportunity to make a local contribution."

Walsh said she would use her first term to expand the authority's affordable housing holdings.

"I think the larger question is the affordable housing question. It's tied to controlling development. We need to meet our 10



Teresa Jeanne Walsh

percent so we can control development in our community," said Walsh regarding state law which requires communities to set aside 10 percent of its housing stock as affordable housing. If a community doesn't reach the 10 percent, developers who agree to provide at least 25 percent affordable housing are allowed to bypass local zoning.

Walsh said getting Arlington's affordable housing stock above 10 percent should be a top priority for the community. Once the town reaches that goal, it will no longer be susceptible to comprehensive permits under Chapter 40B of state law.

"To my knowledge, we haven't had a 40B in Arlington yet, but that doesn't mean we won't," said Walsh.

Without that control, the town cannot properly plan development. While there are several groups working toward increasing affordable housing, only the Housing Authority can represent those most in need,

she said.

Though Arlington's elderly population makes up 18 percent of the town, said Walsh, only one in four live in affordable housing.

"We need to make seniors aware of these other opportunities. We need to make the Housing Authority visible to the segments of the population that need these services," she said.

There are several avenues to pursue, said Walsh, including the new Chapter 40R, which gives cities and towns money from the state in exchange for building housing along transit routes. While the town should study the law to see if it's a good fit for Arlington, it presents more room for flexibility, she said.

"We have all these things that planners now speak to as important for communities, like public transit. Arlington is way ahead of its time," said Walsh.

Maintaining existing Housing Authority properties is also important. While expanding holdings is a priority, making sure that kitchens and baths are replaced, and that elevators work is still essential to the Housing Authority's mission, said Walsh.

"We have to maintain our existing stock, but it's my understanding that we're doing a fine job of maintaining our stock," said Walsh.

The mother of two has lived in Arlington for 20 years.

"I came here as a new lawyer, and I was struck by the fact that Arlington is a community you could get involved with if you wanted to," said Walsh.

# Barrett takes aim at board

By Roberto Scalese  
STAFF WRITER

David Barrett is new in town, but he thinks he can help make Arlington a better place.

Barrett, married with two young children, has only lived in town for a year. Still, Barrett considers himself committed to the town and its governance.

"My history in Arlington isn't so strong, but I plan to be here for the long haul," said Barrett. He plans to open a law office in town once he completes law school.

This campaign revolves around the public's right to transparent democracy. His major issues include term limits for selectmen, providing e-services to residents via the town Web site and pushing against the current board's position on changing the state's Open Meeting Law, he said.

"I'd like my campaign to stand up to the kinds of abuses of government, as I see them," said Barrett.

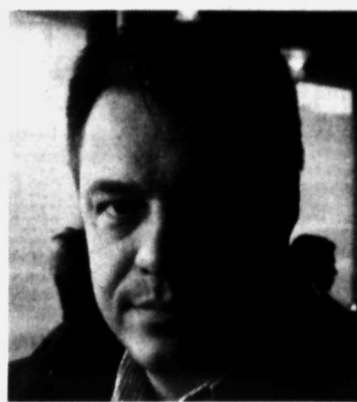
Barrett didn't like the board's reaction to a District Attorney's office's ruling that it violated the Open Meeting Law by meeting with town manager candidates in private in 2003.

He was angry that members then lobbied for changes in the Open Meeting Law.

"That's a gross violation of the public's trust," said Barrett. "After this violation of the law, to shift the doubt to the future of the law is a bit disingenuous. They either chose to break the law or are incompetent enough not to know they're breaking the law."

Term limits for selectmen will allow new perspectives to impact policy-making in town, said Barrett.

A Town Meeting warrant article drafted by Barrett would limit selectmen to two consecutive terms, after which they would be barred from running again for two years. The article has not yet been vetted by Town



David Barrett

Counsel John Maher.

"The Board of Selectmen is getting drunk with its own power," said Barrett. "We have selectmen who have spent half their careers in office."

E-services would allow residents to pay bills, apply for permits and conduct other town-related business through the town's Web site. Such services would provide a 24-hour Town Hall for residents, said Barrett.

"There's a difference between publishing with your Web site and moving to interaction and then transaction," he said. "This is cheaper and it provides better 24-hour service to the residents in town."

Barrett has filed another warrant article that would authorize the Board of Selectmen to develop a strategic plan for the Web site. He said the work of the newly-formed Information Technology Advisory Committee may not be up to the task.

"It's a matter of political perspective if the technology committee is doing anything at all," said Barrett.

Barrett said revenues continue to be a problem for the town, and much of the blame lies in the governor's office. Short-term solutions like private funding may be needed to weather the current storm while longer-term plans are arranged.

He also said an override may be needed this year.

"We need some short-term solutions to get through the (Gov. Mitt) Romney years," said Barrett. "We need to provide leadership on this issue, which may be controversial to Mr. Romney."

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# Schools seek 6 percent budget increase

## Two board members think more funding is needed

By Brooke Leister  
STAFF WRITER

The School Committee voted last week to send a proposed \$34 million school budget to the Finance Committee. The request would be a 6 percent increase over the current fiscal year's budget.

While the motion passed unanimously, committee members Martin Thrope and Barbara Goodman expressed frustration that more money is not available.

"I'm going to vote because it's a good bottom line, but I'm not voting for the line items," Goodman said of the proposed \$34.28 million budget. The approved FY 2005 budget was \$32.2 million.

Thrope said he would like to restore services consistent with two years ago when the district was forced to make cuts, including losing elementary art teachers for a year and elementary librarians. Art teachers were restored in the FY'05 budget, but the elementary

Spanish program was lost. Goodman added she is unhappy library and guidance services are still lacking.

"I offer it as a concept and I think the concept is clear. I certainly have no crystal ball about where this will go, but we don't know what happens if we ask. We do know what happens if we don't ask. We won't get it. If we do ask, there's a chance — a remote chance, that we'll get it," he said. "We need to make a strong statement about what we want our schools to look like."

Superintendent Kay Donovan said a budget returning services to FY '03 levels would be roughly an additional \$3.2 million.

"If you're asking to return the budget to where it was, you're asking for millions more. What I'm asking for is a 6 percent increase... I'm willing to put everything on paper, but I don't know how you can come back with a budget that is over \$5 million (more than last year)

when that is the deficit of the town," said Donovan of the deficit predicted by Town Manager Brian Sullivan. "You are not going to appear anywhere realistic to do it. That's being truthful to you. I don't believe you're going to get an override for \$10 to \$12 million in this town."

Committee member Jeff Thielman agreed with Donovan.

"Would I love to get us back to FY '03 levels? Of course I would. This budget, combined with the town budget, puts us in a deficit in the town. Your proposal increases that deficit," he said of Thrope's suggestion.

The \$34 million proposed budget includes salary increases and 16 additional teachers, four of which would be tutors. The cost also includes \$90,000 for a new Dallin Elementary School principal and \$13,400 for a new Dallin secretary for half the year. Dallin is being rebuilt and is expected to open next January.

The proposed budget also includes recommended goals and objectives, such as \$60,000 for a data director, \$10,000 for summer workshop stipends to

align the curriculum with federal No Child Left Behind requirements and \$10,500 for elementary teacher training stipends.

Committee member Sue Sheffler said the town needs to agree on what it wants to look like, which includes all town services.

"I'm also going to vote for the 6 percent increase, not because I like it, but because it's realistic," she said.

Thrope continued to disagree.

"Our request is not good enough and it has to be crystal clear that whatever number we put out there is not good enough. We have to say in the strongest terms that political realism is not doing the best for our kids," he said.

After asking Donovan to roughly say how much it would

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Suzanne Baratta Owayda

take to raise services to FY '03 levels, Thrope made a motion to increase the proposed budget's bottom line by \$2 million, which would mark a 12 percent increase compared to FY '05.

Committee member Suzanne Baratta Owayda said increasing by another \$2 million without detailing how the money would be used is a mistake. She doubted whether an override, if one is needed, could pass if

the committee voted in favor of Thrope's motion.

"We'll be worse than where we were three years ago. We'll be worse off because we'll have to cut more," she said. "I think it is very short-sighted. I think we've worked very hard to get credibility in this town and this will ruin that."

School Committee chairman Paul Schlichtman agreed.

"I think we need to be strategic. I think if we go in with a number higher than the superintendent's recommendation there will be a backlash," he said.

The motion failed 5 to 2, with Thrope and Goodman voting in favor of adding another \$2 million to the request.

"I would like to thank the committee for allowing me to raise this issue. I'm satisfied," Thrope said.

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# Perspectives

## EDITORIAL

# Asking for too much could hurt chances

Members of the School Committee are rightfully frustrated by the situation in the schools.

Since the failed override in 2003, Arlington has been trying to regain lost programs and positions. The elementary art program, which was run by parent volunteers for a year, is back. Elementary school students, meanwhile, learn Spanish solely because of the hard work of volunteers like Charlotte Pierce.

The school system has brought back some of the positions cut in the override, but is still short of the pre-2003 school system.

In her preliminary budget request, Superintendent Kay Donovan is asking for a 6 percent increase. With the town facing a \$5 million deficit in the next fiscal year and an estimated \$9 million over the next few years, school advocates should realize improvements will be slow.

At last week's School Committee meeting, two members voiced their displeasure with the 6 percent increase. Martin Thrope and Barbara Goodman, who don't agree often, advocated for adding another \$2 million to the budget proposal.

We understand Thrope and Goodman want the schools to return to their fiscal year 2003 levels. Their thinking is

the faster the schools get back to 2003 funding, the sooner the schools can improve the product.

Thrope and Goodman are obviously correct in wanting to get the schools back to the pre-override level as soon as possible. But asking for more than 6 percent, while other departments also struggle with cuts, will only cause acrimony.

Arlington is most likely facing another override this year. Voters turned aside a \$4 million referendum two years ago and there are questions as to whether the town will try to bridge the full \$5 million gap this year or let voters pick from a menu-style override.

If there is any chance that an override is going to pass this year, town officials are going to have to proceed cautiously. Fiscal restraint is what is needed now.

Once the state and town gets back its financial footing, then we can start looking to reach back to those days before budget cuts. Until then, in order to gain support from Arlington's non-school advocates, the schools must work to slowly recover lost programs and positions and not rush to regain everything in one year.

Asking for a 12 percent budget increase is not the way to win over friends.

## Questions super holding two jobs

Brooke Leister's article ("Finalist moves forward: Super talks resume tonight," Jan. 13 Advocate) reported school superintendent candidate Nate Levenson is the principle owner of North American Industries Inc., with \$20 million in sales.

The Arlington school system is a \$35 million enterprise.

If Mr. Levenson is selected to be Arlington's school superintendent, he will be wearing two very important hats.

Now suppose that North American Industries and the Arlington school system both have serious issues at the same time, which hat will come off?

The job of superintendent of Arlington schools is a full-time job.

Could retiring Superintendent Kay Donovan have held two separate and demanding jobs?

Dino Livolsi  
HATHAWAY CIRCLE

## Comments on accident, shoveling

I was surprised by two separate stories in the Jan. 13 Advocate, but they had a common thread.

First, in the story on a woman who was struck by a car while in a marked crosswalk ("Woman hit on Mass. Ave."), it was reported that the police chief "doesn't think...driver negligence" was to blame. If not driver negligence, considering that it is against state law not to yield to a pedestrian in a marked crosswalk, what or who is to blame?

Second, in "Department of Public Works News," we, the residents, were reminded that "it is the responsibility of the owner to shovel all sidewalks

surrounding a property." I walk to a bus daily. One of my bus stops is on Route 2, across the Pleasant Street bridge.

I reach the other by walking down Jason Street. In both cases, the only places where the sidewalks are not shoveled are on the bridge and in front of Menotomy Rocks Park — public properties.

I wish the town, whether the police or the public works department, would take our laws and bylaws to heart.

Marjorie B. Cohn  
JASON STREET

## Remembering Ike Canty: Legend, hero

During the first half to the second half of the last century, Ike Canty was in charge of the Arlington Park Department. Everyone knew and respected "Big Ike," whether you came from the Center, East end, Acre or Arlington Heights.

Big Ike did not have to post a notice if he did not want Arlington kids on a particular field or recreational park in town. He would just show up and look over the area where necessary maintenance work was to be performed.

If there were kids playing in these areas, Big Ike would look around and quickly get everyone's attention and wave his arms for everyone to get off the field. Everyone in a quick manner would leave the field and pass the word around and not return until work was complete. I am not sure if this would work today.

In the winter, Big Ike would make sure that all the ice skating areas in town were in safe, working condition so that all future Arlington High School hockey players would practice and practice until they were good enough to be

selected to become AHS hockey players under legendary coach, Ed Bums.

Our main story begins during the winter of 1946 on the skating area off Mystic Valley Parkway, adjacent to Arlington's Mount Pleasant Cemetery. This area used to be flooded in the wintertime by damming up the Mill Brook, just as it empties into the Mystic Lake.

On this particular day, the skating area was crowded and the only space for our pick-up hockey game was a section closest to the Mill Brook. There is running water in parts of this area and a little black ice. One of the players, Billy Weisman, had a muscular seizure and fell hard through the black ice and started to disappear under the ice. We could not see Billy.

At this very moment, Big Ike Canty was checking the safety of the ice nearest Mill Brook and saw Billy Weisman fall through the ice. Ike moved fast and saw where the water was carrying Billy under more solid ice. Big Ike lifted his large leg and crashed it through the ice creating a new hole and easily pulled Billy Weisman to safety. Ike Canty saved Billy Weisman's life. No one else could have.

Billy Weisman lived on the second floor of a two-family house on Alton Street. On the first floor, lived Commander Shea and his family. Commander Shea was the World War II naval commander who wrote the famous letter to his son.

The only thing I am not positive is the year. I am very close. I do not know if this story has ever been reported. If it has, it should be retold and a memorial should be erected to Ike Canty. Ike Canty had two beautiful sons. We called them both "Ike."

Charles Morris  
LANGLEY ROAD

# 'I Have a Dream'

At this time of year when we celebrate the life of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., The Advocate would like to honor King by printing excerpts from his famous speech. The speech was one that fueled a cause and provided a springboard for the country to make changes in the way it sees race and color.

The speech was delivered on the steps at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington D.C. on Aug. 28, 1963.

Five score years ago, a great American, in whose symbolic shadow we stand signed the Emancipation Proclamation. This momentous decree came as a great beacon light of hope to millions of Negro slaves who had been seared in the flames of withering injustice. It came as a joyous daybreak to end the long night of captivity. But 100 years later, we must face the tragic fact that the Negro is still not free...

This is no time to engage in the luxury of cooling off or to take the tranquilizing drug of gradualism. Now is the time to rise from the dark and desolate valley of segregation to the sunlit path of racial justice. Now is the time to open the doors of opportunity to all of God's children. Now is the time to lift our nation from the quicksands of racial injustice to the solid rock of brotherhood.

It would be fatal for the nation to overlook the urgency of the moment and to underestimate the determination of the Negro. This sweltering summer of the Negro's legitimate discontent will not pass until there is an invigorating autumn of freedom and equality.

Nineteen sixty-three is not an end, but a beginning. Those who hope that the Negro needed to blow off steam and will now be content will have a rude awakening if the nation returns to business as usual. There will be neither rest nor tranquility in America until the Negro is granted his citizenship rights.

The whirlwinds of revolt will continue to shake the foundations of our nation until the bright day of justice emerges. But there is something that I must say to my people who stand on the warm threshold which leads into the palace of justice. In the process of

gaining our rightful place we must not be guilty of wrongful deeds. Let us not seek to satisfy our thirst for freedom by drinking from the cup of bitterness and hatred...

The marvelous new militancy which has engulfed the Negro community must not lead us to distrust of all white people, for many of our white brothers, as evidenced by their presence here today, have come to realize that their destiny is tied up with our destiny and their freedom is inextricably bound to our freedom...

I say to you today, my friends, that in spite of the difficulties and frustrations of the moment, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

## Nineteen sixty-three is not an end, but a beginning.

I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal."

I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave-owners will be able to sit down together at a table of brotherhood. I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a desert state, sweltering with the heat of injustice and oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character. I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day the state of Alabama, whose governor's lips are presently dripping with the words of interposition and nullification, will be transformed into a situation where little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with lit-

tle white boys and white girls and walk together as sisters and brothers. I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plain, and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together. This is our hope.

This is the faith with which I return to the South. With this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope. With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood. With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together, to stand up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day.

This will be the day when all of God's children will be able to sing with a new meaning, "My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing. Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside, let freedom ring."

And if America is to be a great nation, this must become true. So let freedom ring from the prodigious hill-tops of New Hampshire. Let freedom ring from the mighty mountains of New York. Let freedom ring from the heightening Alleghenies of Pennsylvania.

Let freedom ring from the snow-capped Rockies of Colorado. Let freedom ring from the curvaceous peaks of California. But not only that; let freedom ring from Stone Mountain of Georgia. Let freedom ring from Look-out Mountain of Tennessee. Let freedom ring from every hill and every molehill of Mississippi. From every mountainside, let freedom ring.

When we let freedom ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual, "Free at last! free at last! thank God Almighty, we are free at last!"

# Candidates in upcoming election

**Town Clerk**  
\*Corinne M. Rainville  
745 Summer St.

**Treasurer**  
\*John J. Bilafer  
15 Victoria Road

**Board of Selectmen**  
**Two seats**  
\*Diane M. Mahon  
23 Howard St.  
Paul Addorisio  
51 Pond Lane  
David Barrett  
22 Newman Way  
Annie LaCourt  
48 Chatham St.  
Jason A. Tarkington  
24 Draper Avenue

**Assessor**  
\*Mary Winstanley O'Connor  
781 Concord Turnpike

**School Committee**  
**Three seats**

\*Martin Thrope  
348 Gray St.  
Michael Cerone  
272 Sylvia St.  
Sean Garballey  
45 Maynard St.

**Housing Authority**  
\*Freeland K. Abbott  
104 Madison Ave.  
Teresa Jeanne Walsh  
35 Hutchinson Road

*\*Incumbent  
Note: Selectman Charles Lyons and School Committee members Barbara Goodman and Joani LaMachia have not said whether they will run for re-election.*

# Important dates for April 2 election

Monday, Feb. 7 — Last day for Town Meeting members who are candidates for re-election to give written notice that they are running again.

Thursday, Feb. 10 — Last day to obtain blank nomination papers.

Tuesday, Feb. 15 — Last day to submit all nomination papers to the Registrar of Voters for certification of signatures.

Monday, Feb. 28 — Last day to file nomination papers with the Town Clerk's office.

Wednesday March 2 — Last day to

withdraw and/or object to all nomination papers.

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# Lighten up — your trash

It's that time again... a new year, a new beginning — time to take stock of our lives, and make New Year's resolutions.

While I can't help you lose those holiday pounds or make you visit your relatives more, I can help you with a simple resolution that will not only benefit you and your family, but your neighbors, your community, and, thinking broadly, your planet: Recycle more glass and paper.

It's a no-brainer, really. A significant percentage of Arlington's annual tonnage of unrecycled solid waste is glass and paper. Better recycling of glass and paper could reduce Arlington's annual solid waste by 15 percent and thus decrease trash disposal costs by \$255,000. Those are dollars that could be used more productively elsewhere — to improve other services offered by the Department of Public Works, like snow removal or street-paving, or to bolster other areas of the town's budget.

And glass and paper are two of the easiest items to recycle. Do you get The Arlington Advocate or other newspapers? Newspapers, one of the heaviest items in the paper waste stream, are easily recycled by stacking and stuffing them into paper grocery bags and placing them curbside on your recycling day.

Fortunately, we seem to be doing a pretty good job with newspaper. According to the Newspaper Association of America, 73 percent (roughly 9 million tons) of all old newspapers in the United States were recovered and recycled in 2003.

Most of this recycled newspaper was turned into new newsprint or exported to other countries to be made into newspaper or other products. The remainder was used to make paperboard packaging for cereal and detergent boxes, tissue and other household paper products.

But why stop there? There are many other kinds of paper in the waste stream.

The prodigious amounts of junk mail, magazines and catalogs

## Arlington Recycling Committee

Susan Wyly

we all receive are all perfectly recyclable, no matter whether the paper is white or colored, plain or glossy, or if the envelope has a window. Put 'em all in.

And with improved recycling technology, you do not even need to remove staples. If you are nervous about recycling sensitive documents, a shredder is a simple and inexpensive solution. Put the shreds in the recycling bags. Notice the new phone books we all just received on our doorsteps? Don't just throw those heavy old ones away; put them out in the recycling bin.

Then there is glass. Glass, mostly easily-recyclable glass containers, makes up 6 percent of municipal solid waste in the United States, according to 1999 federal figures. And we're not doing such a good job with glass recycling — only about 23 percent of the 13 million tons of glass discarded each year is recycled.

Spaghetti sauce, pickle jars, mayonnaise jars, juice and soda bottles, wine and beer bottles and baby food containers are some of the everyday objects made from glass that can be recycled. Once the glass is picked up by a recycling truck, it is separated by colors and broken up into smaller pieces called cullet, which is then crushed, cleaned and prepared to combine with other raw materials to use in making new glass products. (Note: Not all glass is

recyclable: glass found in light bulbs, cookware and window panes contains ceramics that interfere with the recycling process.)

The real savings in glass recycling is in the use of energy. When glass is made from scratch, high temperatures are needed to melt and combine all the ingredients. Because cullet melts at a lower temperature, the more of it you add to a batch of raw materials, the less energy you will need to melt it.

Moreover, glass produced from recycled glass instead of raw materials reduces related air pollution by 20 percent and related water pollution by 50 percent. And recycling glass means fewer bottles and jars taking up space in landfills.

For our purposes here in Arlington, paper and glass are easy to recycle and have a much greater impact on the town's recycling rate than say, rinsing out more cat food or tuna cans to recycle. I'm not saying that you shouldn't recycle those items too. But if you have to choose (and haven't we all guiltily tossed something in the garbage because we were too lazy to clean it out for recycling?) think weight.

Think of heavy things, like glass and paper and make sure that you lighten up your trash by placing your paper and glass in the recycling bin. Remember the motto, "recycle a little, save a lot."

Information about what can and cannot be recycled is available at the Arlington Recycling Committee's Web site: [www.arlingtonrecycles.com](http://www.arlingtonrecycles.com).

Last, the Arlington Recycling

## Recycling tip

This week's tip is on how to reduce or reuse paper consumption:

Use both sides of a piece of paper when printing, copying or writing. Share magazines with friends after you have read them or donate them to hospitals or community places. Cancel unnecessary magazine subscriptions.

Use junk mail envelopes as scratch paper to write notes. Take steps to decrease merchandise catalogs being mailed to you in the future by contacting companies that sell your address to mailing lists.

Write to the Direct Marketing Association (Mail Preference Service, P.O. Box 9008, Farmingdale, N.Y., 11735) and ask for your name and address to be removed from their lists.

Contact the Stop Junk Mail Association (1-800-827-5549) for more tips.

Committee also has a New Year's Resolution. Starting in January, we will be offering regular "Recycling Tips of the Week" in this space. These tips may include interesting facts about recycling and trash (for example, did you know that packaging accounts for more than 30 percent of household waste?), advice on reducing, reusing, and recycling and questions to commonly asked questions.

Happy New Year, Arlington!

Susan Wyly is a member of the Arlington Recycling Committee.

# Saying goodbye to East Arlington

My first stint as an East Arlington resident was in a somewhat dubiously conceived attic apartment, all of two rooms and a shower stall tucked so tightly under the eaves that one had to stoop low to get wet.

The apartment entrance was someone's back stairwell and the legally required exit was a hatch under the living room rug. I once built up enough courage to lift the rug and hoist the trap door; it was the ceiling of the second-floor dweller's hall closet. I'm not sure they knew that, should there be an emergency, two frantic strangers were planning to catapult themselves into the collection of old umbrellas and musty rain slickers and race down their hallway.

My husband and I later moved up the street, to a bona fide apartment with a real back door. Movies at the Capitol Theatre were \$2.50; the folks behind the counter served lukewarm cappuccinos and gourmet ice cream. Alewife Station was not yet completed.

We moved away for several years, to another part of Arlington, and then back again to the East, to a house longtime neighbors recall as a dance hall and a community center. On my nightly walks, in the rain, in the snow, in the lingering heat of a midsummer night, I've enjoyed catching glimpses of the constant clockwork which makes up this part

View from the East  
Barbara Card Atkinson

my part of East Arlington.

Folks line up for movies at the Capitol, chat barside at Flora, try out new pizza combinations at Za, exchange gossip at Maria's, stop for a slice at Olympic, sit on the floor with their children at the Fox Library, paint ceramic beasts at Clay Dreams, learn how to purl at The Knitting Room, pick out a new project at ArtBeat, mull over gifts at Maxima and Monroe Salt Works and press their noses against the glass case at Quebrada. A lot of things have changed in the time I have been here and I'm sorry I won't get to see the changes still in store.

We're winging west, my family and I, to a warmer climate, to the silly state of California. I'm sure going to miss my creaky dance hall and my bustling, shifting, expanding community. California is where I am originally from; it's where my family is waiting for us and where we need to be, but I can't help feeling that it's terribly far west for someone who has become, in her heart, an East Arlington girl.

Thanks for having me.

Barbara Card Atkinson was, for a while, an East Arlington resident.



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Listing Agent - Leigh Ventura



**MEDFORD** — Just blocks from Tufts and walking distance to Davis Sq. situated on Medford Somerville Line. Beautiful 2 level Condo w/ private entrance, original details & charm, offers the perfect balance of convenience & calm. Modern kitchen, SS appliances, maple cabinets, island, large pantry, hardwood floor w/ built-in china cabinet opens into 1st fl. BR, BA, sun room, laundry & den office. 1st fl. BR, BA, front porch, 2 pk. & large front landscaped yard w/ sprinkler **\$529,000**

Listing Agents - Mark Leses & Carole Falcone



**SOMERVILLE** — Fresh renovated 3 bedroom, 2 bath Philadelphia-style Condo near Tufts! New kitchen & baths, hardwood floors, period detail and more **\$489,900**

Listing Agent - Mary Ann Dionne



**ARLINGTON** — Light filled two-level Condo w/ sparkling decor, gleaming wood floors, natural woodwork, French doors and more! Top level master suite - MBR w/ ample closets and large office or study with deck. Steps to shops, eateries, Mass. Ave. and bus line **\$459,000**

Listing Agents - Mary Mangan & Liz Bolton



**ARLINGTON** — Fabulous new renovation by one of Arlington's top developers. Walk to T - Red Line, bike path, restaurants and shopping. Kitchen has stainless steel appliances, granite, hardwood floors. C.A. This unit is currently being renovated and should be ready for occupancy mid to late Feb **\$439,000**

Listing Agent - Chris Sanders



**MEDFORD** — This charming West Medford Colonial is attractively updated and is cute as can be! Hardwood floors, period detail, built-in corner china cabinet. Sliders from sunroom to wonderful oversized deck overlooking large yard. Convenient to shops, train, buses, and Fells Reservation. Don't miss out! **\$379,000**

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**ARLINGTON** — Wonderfully renovated 7 room, 4 bedroom, 1.5 bath Bungalow! Set back from the street, nice fenced-in yard and 1 car garage with extra storage. This is a charming, comfortable home. **\$399,000**

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**ARLINGTON** — Now Accepting Reservations!!!! Under Construction - Avenue 264, Arlington's newest Condominium development in East Arlington is a 27 unit building consisting of 1, 2 and 3 bedroom units. Units will range from approx. 700 s.f. of living space for a one bedroom, to 1,500 s.f. for the three bedroom. Some features include stainless steel appliances, wood flooring, granite countertops, elevator, garage parking, security system and more! **Prices start at \$325,000**

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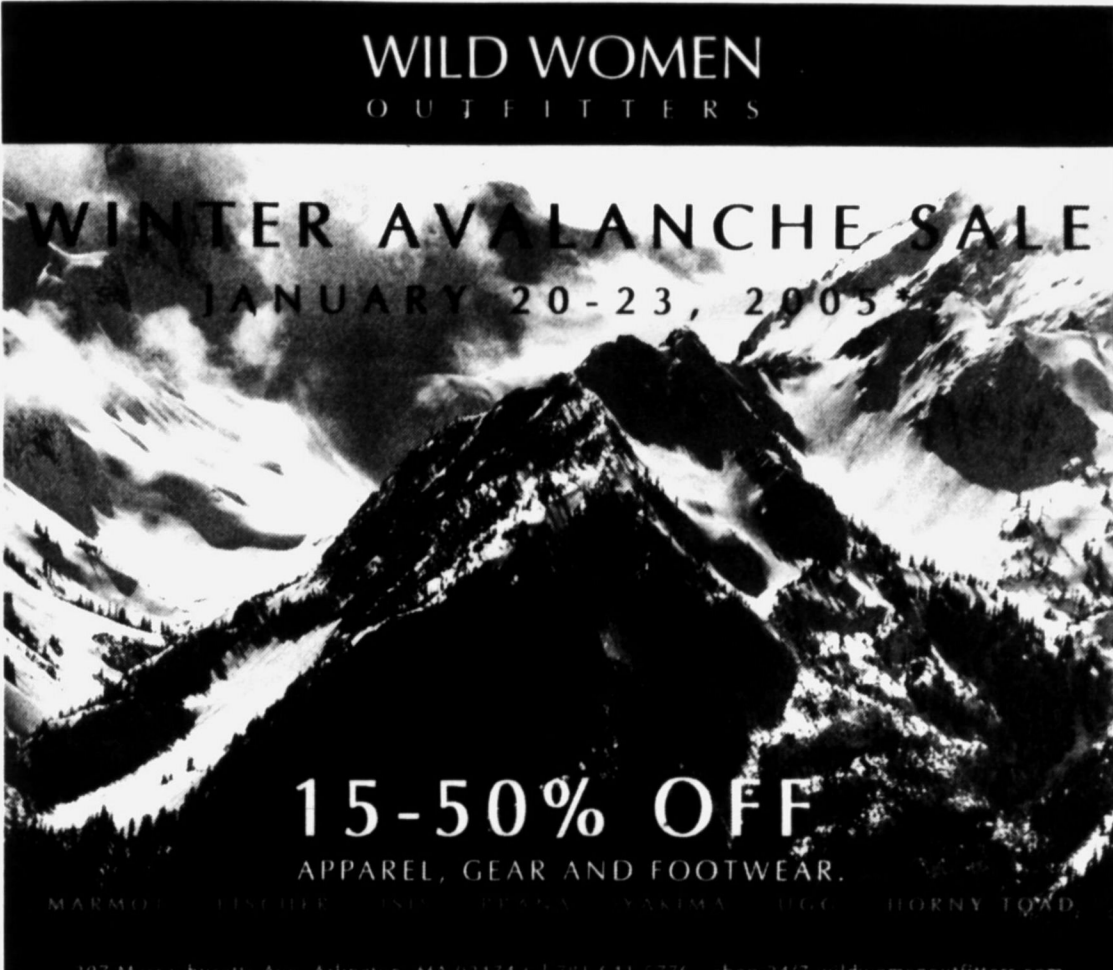
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# Ice king lecture next week

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This colorful entrepreneur is featured in an entertaining slide lecture "Boston's Ice King" Tuesday, Jan. 25 at 8 p.m., at the Smith Museum, Arlington Historical Society, Jason Street at Mass. Ave.

The speaker is Dr. Alan Seaburg, curator of manuscripts emeritus, Harvard Divinity School. The Massachusetts Historical Society and Mystic Seaport recently published "The Ice King: Frederic Tudor and His Circle," written by Seaburg with his brother, the late Rev. Carl Seaburg, and the late Stanley Peterson.

Tudor developed the "frozen water trade" and created an Ice Age for Massachusetts' economy with his bright idea of harvesting ice in the years before the Civil War. He encouraged a taste for "cold." Cold drinks, chilled desserts, extended life for meat, fish and dairy products became part of New England domestic life at the same time Calcutta, Bombay and Madras were awaiting their cooling shipments



Ice cutting at Spy Pond, West Cambridge (now Arlington), is depicted in this antique 1854 engraving showing many aspects of the industry including ice train, ice storage and ice tools.

of ice.

Some of that ice was cut from Fresh Pond and Spy Pond as a huge ice-cutting industry developed, employed thousands of men and horses. Arlington was also home to a major ice tool manufacturing company, William T.

Wood.

Copies of the book will be available. The location is wheelchair accessible at the Jason Terrace entrance. Refreshments served.

For additional information, call 781-648-4300.

# Relay for Life needs leaders

The American Cancer Society is seeking local residents to serve as committee members, team captains and/or team members for the Arlington Relay For Life, which will be held in the spring.

Relay For Life is the American Cancer Society's largest signature activity as well as the most successful national fund raiser. It is a unique event that offers communities an opportunity to participate in the fight against cancer.

Relays are 12 to 24 hours in length and go overnight. Teams of eight to 15 people camp out at a local high school, park or fairground and take turns walking, jogging or running around a track or path. Cancer survivors will begin the Relay by walking the first "Victory Lap" in a celebration of survivorship.

Also, a Luminaria Ceremony beginning after dark will honor cancer sur-

vivors and remember those who are no longer with us. Teams are encouraged to camp out in tents and enjoy the music, food and camaraderie of the event.

"I encourage anyone interested in joining the Relay For Life to call the American Cancer Society and volunteer. The Relay will be a great way to renew our hope in the fight against cancer, while also doing something practical to support the American Cancer Society's research, education, advocacy and patient service programs," said Julie Ann Colanton, development executive for the American Cancer Society.

For more information about Relay For Life or to find out how to volunteer, please call Julie Ann Colanton at the local American Cancer Society at 781-314-2683 or e-mail at julieann.colanton@cancer.org

# Volunteers needed at VA hospital

If you want to make good on a New Year's resolution to help those less fortunate, than who better to help than veterans living at The Edith Nourse Rogers Memorial Veterans' Hospital in Bedford.

Individual (adult and student) and

corporate volunteering is available, as are both monetary and tangible donations. This is also an opportunity for students, both for an individual or a group, to earn community service credits.

To learn more, contact The VA Volunteer Services at Bedford: 781-687-2352 or 2422.

Submitted by the Arlington veterans services agent.

# Questions part of census

In the coming weeks, residents will be receiving the annual town census from the town of Arlington.

This year's census includes an insert from the Arlington Human Rights Commission describing its work followed by a short question-

naire. The commission would appreciate it if residents could take five minutes to complete the questionnaire and return it with their town census.

Feedback will greatly assist the group's work.

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